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Dear Senator Sirotkin,

I'm reaching out to express support for this bill.

My husband and I are residents of Charlotte, having moved here from NYC. He's a physician at UVM and I help build social impact campaigns with companies and philanthropists. Since much of my network (and market demand) is focused around NYC, I have been experimenting with remote work for six months. We are making it happen -- but it isn't easy. I have invested in home office equipment, internet upgrades to enable video conferencing, not to mention countess flights and airport parking fees. The tax credit would certainly help me and others like me who are trying to make significant economic progress whilst being members of a rural community.

I look around a community like Charlotte/Chittenden and my only regret about moving here is there aren't more folks like us (i.e. young, ambitious professionals starting to build a family). We have an affluent but aging community which -- demographically speaking -- is moving in the wrong direction. Initiatives like this tax credit give one more reason for younger people to take a second look before deciding their futures can only be build in cities.

Thanks for your consideration.

Sincerely, Joseph Ingram